

Are you a disciple?



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Call to make disciples

- **Matt 28:18-20** And Jesus came and said to them, “**All authority** in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make **disciples** of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **teaching them to observe** all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”
- **Luk 6:40** A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will **be like** his teacher.



Requirements of a disciple

■ **Matt 16:24-25** Then Jesus told his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let him **deny himself** and **take up his cross** and **follow me**. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.



Deny himself

■ **Luke 14:26** If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even their own life—such a person cannot be my disciple.



Take up the cross

- **Luk 14:27** Whoever does not bear his own **cross** and come after me cannot be my disciple.
- **Luk 9:23** And he said to all, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and **take up his cross daily** and follow me.



Following Jesus

- **1 Cor 11:1** Imitate me, just as I also *imitate* Christ.
- **2 Tim 3:10** But you have **carefully followed** my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance,
- **1 Thess 1:6** And you became **followers** of us and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Spirit,



Following through learning

■ **Eph 4:17** With the Lord's authority I say this: Live no longer as the Gentiles do, for they are hopelessly confused. **18** Their minds are full of darkness... **20** But that isn't what you learned about Christ. **21** Since you have heard about Jesus and have learned the truth that comes from him, **22** throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life,



Staying in the Word

- **John 8:31-32** So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”



- ***Bottle-fed rather than self-feeding***
- ***Prayers never change***
- ***Interest in getting rather than giving***
- ***Interest in gifts rather than fruit***
- ***Worship an event rather than a way of life***
- ***Self-controlled rather than Spirit-controlled***
- ***Lack of spiritual mentors***
- ***More influenced by culture than by Christ***